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SUBJECT: ROK FEEDBACK ON DRAFT CGSP ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

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[1](#). Poloff on January 8 presented the information in reftel A to Key Cheol Lee, Deputy Director-General of the Overseas Koreans and Consular Affairs Bureau, and Hyung-hwa Cho of the Security & Counter-Terrorism Cooperation Division, both within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Please note the following:

-- Deputy Director-General Lee will join the ROK delegation attending the meeting. The ROK delegation now consists of three persons, Ambassador Oh, Deputy Director-General Lee, and Cho. Ambassador Oh remains the head of delegation (reftel B).

-- Lee asked why the U.S. delegation was not hosting the reception and how the United Kingdom received the opportunity to host the reception.

-- Lee thought that the start time for the introductory comments (0830 AM) was too early.

-- Reftel C presented a proposed meeting sequence that included a review of the proposed Contact Group on Somali Piracy (CGSP) Statement of Principles, however there is no mention in the meeting's agenda of the review and the communiqu appears, in advance, to outline what could be considered a statement of principles. Will the CGSP formally adopt a Statement of Principles at a later date or is the communiqu the Statement of Principles? Lee indicated that the ROK delegation will follow up on this question during the meeting.
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